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U. S. NAVAL TRAINING SCHOOL, CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

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War Highlights

WESTERN FRONT

The American First Army Tuesday captured the great Rhineland city of Cologne. The last German troops in the city fled south under Allied shellfire toward an escape bridge at Boun 15 miles away. In an advance of 32 miles in 30 hours the United States Third Army broke through German defenses in the Moselle Valley and reached to within 20 miles of Coblenz. Allied artillery appeared to be preparing for methodical destruction of the great arsenals.

EASTERN FRONT

With the capture of Cammin. Red Army forces reached Stettin Bay in a 25-mile advance through the Germans' last Baltic Sea defenses east of the Oder River. Berlin reported the Russians had reached the Baltic at two other points. Neuwasser and Ruegenwalde.

Italy-based American planes struck at communication targets in northern Italy and Yugoslavia while British planes attacked oil refineries at Salzbergen in the Ruhr.

PACIFIC FRONT

Eight American divisions were fighting to forge traps around 80,000 Japanese troops holding out in four sections of Luzon. The heaviest fighting was in the north where three American divisions were attacking on a 40-mile front through the Caraballo mountains.

Japanese troops in Iwo Island were reported trying to break through American lines in search of water. Tokyo said the Marines had opened an offensive across the entire island.

In Washington, Secretary of the Navy Forrestal announced officially that 2,050 Marines had been killed on Iwo as of last Saturday, with a total of 12,864 enemy dead up to the same time.

Mary Sydness, Y3c, returned Friday from a visit to her home in Des Moines, Iowa.

Lt. (jg) Inez Frink left Monday on emergency leave in Tallahassee, Florida.

Dentist and HA Report For Temporary Duty

Lieut. Donald T. Marquis, DC, reported aboard this week to help relieve the pressure of work in the dental office on this station. Lieutenant Marquis comes directly from Great Lakes, Illinois, for temporary duty. Preceding his Great Lakes assignment, Lieutenant Marquis served overseas for twenty months, having seen action with the Marines in Bougainville and Guam. He has the distinction of graduating from the University of Iowa in 1939 and his home is Aledo, Illinois.

Also coming aboard this week is Clarence B. Inman, HA1c, who is serving on temporary duty. He received his training at Farragut and is stationed at Great Lakes. He claims Iowa as his native state.

Melton Receives Husband's Awards Posthumously

Comdr. E. E. Pettee, by direction of the President of the United States, made a formal presentation of the medals awarded to Staff Sergeant James E. Melton, Army Air Corps to his wife, Reva March 1945.

The citation consisted of the Air Medal, one Silver Oak-Leaf Cluster and three Bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters. These Medals were posthumously awarded Seaman Melton's husband, who was killed in action on 27 November, 1943, "for participating in thirty-five sorties against the enemy, and, for meritorious operational activities against the enemy, and, for meri-against the enemy from 5 October 1943 to 27 November 1943."

Seaman Melton's home is in St. Anthony, Idaho, but before entering the Navy, she worked in the Officer's Pay Section, Finance Office of the Reno Army Air Base, Reno, Nevada. She is a member of section 33.

Virginia Dale Cook, Y3c, left on Thursday to spend a few days leave at her home in Townsend, Montana.

Colonel F. U. McCoskrie Gives Women In Service High Praise

DEADLINE FOR INCOME TAX RETURNS NEARS

Time left for filing income tax returns is growing very short. All returns must be mailed so they will reach the Collector of Internal Revenue by midnight, Thursday, 15 March. All personnel desiring assistance in filling out the forms are urged to contact Ensign Kay Holem immediately.

Esther E. File Weds Victor B. Kedrovsky

On Saturday, 10 March, 1945 at 1330, Lt. (jg) Esther File will become the bride of Sgt. Victor B. Kedrovsky at the Russian Orthodox Church in Gary, Indiana. The father of the groom, Rev. V. B. Kedrovsky and the Archbishop of the Chicago Diocese will perform the ceremony in the presence of the immediate families. The bride will wear a white, colonial cut dress with finger tip veil and will be attended by her sister, Charlotte File. George Kedrovsky, brother of the groom will act as best man.

Lieutenant (jg) File, who is the military officer on this station, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex File of Gary, Indiana and is a graduate of Indiana State Teachers College. Prior to her enlistment in the Women's Reserve she was a physical education teacher in Indiana.

Sergeant Kedrovsky, also of Gary, Indiana, has just recently returned from thirty-eight months overseas where he participated in the African and Italian campaigns. He wears the Presidential Citation with a bronze oak leaf and five battle stars.

Augusta Watkins, Sp(S)1c returned Tuesday from her annual leave spent in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania.

Twenty-Ninth Class First Group To Leave With No Replacements

On Monday, 5 March, the twenty-ninth class of potential yeomen was graduated from the Naval Training School at Cedar Falls. This was the first group to leave for whom there will be no replacements. Since the conversion of training school to a yeoman school some 8000 women have been graduated to release an equal number of male yeomen.

Guest speaker for the graduation was Colonel F. U. McCoskrie, commanding officer at the WAC Training Center at Des Moines. It was the first time that the WAVE school has had the pleasure of entertaining an Army guest, and as Colonel McCoskrie so aptly expressed it, it was an "occasion to remind us of our unity in our common cause."

Colonel McCoskrie expressed his admiration and confidence in the women of the armed forces saying "that women have played a very important part in everything that has happened in this country. They have always done their share in peacetime and in wartime. Women in the armed forces represent the women of America pioneering in a new field of endeavor. WACS, WAVES, SPARS and Marines have become a tribute to our nation."

Colonel McCoskrie was accompanied by Capt. Pauline Burkland, executive officer, and Capt. Catherine Stull, public relations officer at the WAC training Center.

Lieut. Elizabeth Hall, officer-in-charge of seamen, presented certificates to platoon leaders of the outgoing sections and commended the following seamen for outstanding records. Highest typewriting rate—Anne L. War-

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EDITORIAL

Let's Make It a Good Finish!

Just between you and me, Bartlett Hall is going to seem kind of lonesome with no more trainees coming in. Always before, we've looked forward to new songs, new faces, new state enthusiasts—all to become our buddies in a few short days. But this week, we're minus six sections, and no six sections for replacements.

Just think! No more standing in three-deep lines to claim white shirts; (someone stop me if I'm wrong), no more waiting a half hour at Ship's Service; no more having feuds, (at least, not so many of them) in trying to get ahead of the other sections on our eager way to class. What's more, each and every billet now has **four** chairs, putting an end to the sitting on top bunk in suffocating misery, or on the end of a suitcase, expecting to fall in a heap any minute. Sheer luxury, this no-line and four-chair policy.

But even with all these advantages, we all feel slightly blue—not necessarily because some of our friends have left—but because it's the first definite step in closing down Bartlett Hall and all that goes toward our training here.

With fewer trainees here, we're bound to be more noticed as we're marching or playing. It's going to mean that we'll have to be really on our toes to prove to our superior officers and the surrounding inhabitants that we can be just as snappy as the pioneering sections were.

We'll have fun, these last few weeks, but we'll also have a more individual supervision by the civilians and officers alike. Let's get in step with all the other sections, and really make a fine showing. All right with you?

BARTLETT BINNACLE

Have you noticed that the photograph studio on the hill has been pretty crowded lately? Could it be that the girls are preparing for that Spring Fever they hope will be in the air very soon?

Mary Maloney was quite honored on her birthday, 1 March, as she was entertained by a charming chorus that was simply out of this Cedar Falls world! You had to see them to appreciate them. They really cut some pretty figures in their sleek costumes.

Did any of you girls see Marion Burghardt jitterbug with those cute sailors who were in the Variety Show Orchestra at Hunter? She can really cut-a-rug and really seemed to enjoy it more so that night. She says she's really glad that there are no Variety shows here at Cedar Falls as she is really the studious, home girl WAY DOWN underneath? ? ?

Section 22 is having a party on 11 March at the Lodge. Everyone is looking forward to an afternoon in the open spaces.

We thought we had heard everything when one billet had half a peanut adrift, but that has been topped this week by an eyelash. What next?

Texas had real competition from New York's Arlene O'Brien, Saturday, when she imitated a cowboy wahoo every time she made a strike at the nearby bowling alley. All you need now "OB" is a horse.

Disappointment reigned when a group of the Wavey Navy sauntered into the Rendezvous prepared for a tussel with a dish of spaghetti, only to discover it was not on the menu that night. The manager was so touched, that she promised to have it from now on.

Section 42 was honored by having Colonel McCoskrie and his staff visit their dictation-transcription class Monday afternoon. With such distinguished guests to spur them on, many of the girls passed their eighties.

Scotty Calvert of the "you all" section has as her motto, "Men; I love 'em." Are you sure you want

that plural Scotty? ? ? ? ?

It certainly was a little out of the ordinary to see the regulation blue gym suits swarming in for noon mess. Seems some of our WAVES were only too willing to be of assistance to the Navy by "knocking down bunks." What will the Navy have us doing next!

Section 21 is baffled. One of their instructors told them that officers are commissioned the same as ships. You all know the old Navy tradition of "Champagne upon the bow of ship." They can't wait to see an officer "Christened."

Navy Definitions

"A high-ranking officer of the Navy—I am not sure whether he is a rear admiral or a bosn's mate, but he is away up there—has provided me with a list of Navy definitions.

These definitions represent very inside stuff, so be careful whom you pass them on to. I would not wish to have them get into the wrong hands.

This list gives the Navy phrase and then translates it into working English as follows:

"Under consideration"—Never heard of it.

"Under active consideration"—Will have a shot at finding it in the files.

"Transmitted to you"—You hold the bag; I'm tired of it.

"In conference"—Gone out. I don't know where he is.

"Kindly expedite reply"—For the love of Pete, try to find the papers.

"Passed to a higher authority"—Pigeon-holed in a more sumptuous office.

"Referred to you for appropriate action"—Do you know what to do with it? We don't

Battle of Iwo Jima Featured By RKO News

The Battle of "Iwo Jima" will be featured in the RKO news to be shown at station movies on Saturday, 10 March. The entire subject is devoted to the greatest battle in Marine history and shows scenes of bombardment by sea and air, and invasion by 40,000 marines in unusual closeups filmed in natural sound.

No, They Weren't On Report!

The out-going sections were practically tossed out of bed on their noses last Tuesday morning, when the DB's (Destruction Battalion) took over. With "physical assistance" in the first step of decommissioning Bartlett.

It all began when sixteen hardy souls, to avoid the rigors of a PT class, volunteered their services for a mysterious detail. (Heh, heh, little they knew!) It began there but it ended with the whole section hard at work tearing down bunks, shoving chairs around, neatly stacking mattresses in the East Lounge, and escorting bed springs down TOO many stairs. Many a friendship was strained to the breaking point when pillows began to fly in all directions as they hurtled through the air toward East Lounge via the chain gang.

A few minor catastrophes occurred in the form of splinters in strategic spots, broken nails, and assorted cuts and bruises. One absent-minded seaman took the nuts and bolts out of the top bunk and then sat on the lower. (She was taken to sick bay in a dazed condition.)

Battered and bruised, aching in every muscle, but with a definite sense of accomplishment, the weary She-bees have been considering striking for Carpenter's Mate using as a recommendation their experience in the "Battle of the Bedsteads."

Red Cross War Fund Drive Nets \$468.80

Voluntary contributions totaling \$468.80 were made by the Trainees of the Naval Training School at Cedar Falls in the recent War Fund Drive for the American Red Cross. Seventy and three hundredths per cent of the regiment made contributions which were collected by a representative from each section. Section 20 contributed 100 per cent with 57 contributions totalling \$46.50.

The national goal this year is set at \$20,000,000, and the President, as well as Navy Secretary, James V. Forrestal, have urged the full cooperation of the public in this worthy campaign.

WHO'S WHO?

(The Third of a Series of Articles on the Chain of Command and An Introduction to Officers of the Staff at Cedar Falls)

Lt. (jg) Margaret Carver, recreational movies officer and instructor in correspondence, is a graduate of North Texas State College. Miss Carver taught speech in a high school in West Texas prior to joining the Navy, and was also secretary to a Colonel in the Army Air Forces. Miss Carver was on recruiting duty in the Eighth Naval District before coming to Cedar Falls.

Lt. (jg) Ulane Zeeck, officer-in-charge of books and instructor in correspondence, is from Lamesa, Texas. She is a graduate of the West Texas State Teachers College, Canyon, Texas, where she was president of the Student Body. Miss Zeeck taught history in the senior high school at Pampa, Texas.

Lt. (jg) Inez Frink, assistant security officer and instructor in shorthand and typewriting is from Tallahassee, Florida. Miss Frink is a graduate of Florida State College for Women, and was an instructor and demonstration teacher of typing and shorthand at the Florida State College.

Lt. (jg) Jean Moore is from Salyersville, Kentucky. She is a graduate of Transylvania College, Lexington, Kentucky where she majored in business education and dramatics. Miss Moore taught commercial subjects in the Mt. Sterling city schools before en-

listing in the WAVES. Her first assignment was recruiting duty in Pennsylvania. She is an instructor in records and forms and correspondence here.

Lt. (jg) Gladys Goodding, who is an instructor in records and forms and is a member of the examining board is from Flagstaff Arizona. Miss Goodding is a graduate of the University of New Mexico and has done graduate work at the University of Utah.

Lt. (jg) Sarah B. Thomas is from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Miss Thomas has both B.S. and M. Ed. degrees in commercial education from the University of Pittsburgh. Prior to joining the Women's Reserve, she taught commercial subjects in the Hempfield Township public schools. During the summers, Miss Thomas worked for the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Company and the Chaplin-Fulton Manufacturing Company. She is an instructor in the shorthand and typing department here, and the assistant insurance officer.

Ensign Walta Mae Woodlee, US NR (NC) is from McMinnville, Tennessee. Miss Woodlee received her nurse's training at the St. Thomas School of Nursing, Nashville, Tennessee and is on the medical staff here. Before coming to Cedar Falls, Miss Woodlee was on duty at Great Lakes, Illinois.

Promotion Comes To Miss Wandelt

Advancement came this week to Lt. (jg) Evelyn Wandelt who until the first of this month was an Ensign in the Women's Reserve. Commander E. E. Pettee announced her promotion in rank.

Lt. (jg) Wandelt came to Cedar Falls in November 1943 and has served as teacher of Physical Education and a Company Commander. She is a graduate of New York University with a B. S. degree. Prior to joining the Navy, she taught in Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Wandelt of Jackson Heights, N. Y. and her brother, Harry F. Wandelt, is also in the Navy on board a ship in the Pacific.

Music, Friendly Hour Move To Rose Lounge

Music Hours, Sunday afternoon from 1600 to 1700 and Tuesday evening from 1830 to 1925 will be held in the Rose Lounge with music under the direction of Carl A. Wirth, Director of the Music Department of the Iowa State Teachers College.

A social hour with music and singing has been planned for the Friendly Hour Sunday evening from 1830 to 1925.

Please note that from now on both Music and Friendly Hours will be held in the Rose Lounge instead of the East Lounge as heretofore. The closing of the East Wing of Bartlett has necessitated this change.

MOVIES

Saturday, 10 March 1945

2000—"A Song to Remember"—a musical drama in technicolor with Paul Muni and Merle Oberon—the life of Chopin. "Screen Snapshot No. 6"—Vallee-Allen. "The Egg Yegg"—a fox and crow cartoon in technicolor. RKO News.

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1400—"Keep Your Powder Dry"—a comedy with Lana Turner and Laraine Day. "Shrine of Yucatan"—a technicolor Fitzpatrick Traveltalk. "Why Daddy?"—a miniature.

Barber Of The Pacific On The Move Again

Perambulating "Barber Bill" of the Pacific is on the move again. He has packed up his sixth barber shop and is ready to hit a new beachhead, doubling at the job of barber while he fills his regular post as pontoon jockey with a Seabee amphibious outfit.

"Barber Bill" is William Dale Rinehart, Shipfitter, Second Class, U.S.N.R., 42, of 4600 Stockton Boulevard, Sacramento, California.

Two years ago Bill locked up his barber shop in Sacramento to enlist in the Seabees, and since that time he has shorn G. I. heads on beaches at Leyte, Saipan, Tinian, and Luzon. He has had five barber shops in the past year, opening them a few days after the Seabees landed, and usually operating free of charge.

Enemy fire, hard work on the beaches in the pounding surf, and filling in as ship's cook now and then, made barbering on the side a heavy load, but Bill says his services are appreciated. "You'd be surprised how good a haircut can feel", he explains, "when the boys haven't had one in a long time and their hair is long and matted with salt and almost unbearable for them."

Bill admits he's looking forward to the day when he's trimming hair back in Sacramento again, and discussing weather and politics. But meanwhile, he figures he has a job of beachhead barbering to finish.

Section 20 Composes New Song For IOWAVES

If you have heard all the new songs that are floating through the air these days you probably would like to learn the words to a few of them. The girls in section 20 made up words for one of the recent song hits, "Don't Fence Me In" which they're pretty proud of. It goes as follows under the title of "Song of the IOWAVES:"

They call us WAVES, IOWAVES,
We're the gang that rants and raves—

They fenced us in.

No longer boots, lowly boots;
But like the raw recruits
We're still fenced in.

It's over the hill, swim and drill,
Try and hit one-twenty;
We've heard about the tree each week

And worry plenty;
Inspectors say they see the dust—
We can't find any.
We're just fenced in.

Our typing speed
Is a sorry thing indeed,
Correspondence gets us down,
Records and forms
Keeps us stuck inside the dorms,
We don't dare to go to town.

We sit and hope
Dream and mope
Waiting for the day
We'll get a leave at home
But if we don't, okay—
We'll do our jobs the best we can
Go on our way
Proud IOWAVES.

Keep your eye on the "IOWAVE" for more of the new songs that have been written.

CONOLEL F. U. McCROSKE

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math, section 11, who typed 97 words per minute with three errors. Highest shorthand—Betty J. Grantz, section 11, taking dictation at the rate of 140 words per minute, transcription rate 52 with no errors. Most progress was made by Julia G. Shedico, section 31, who increased her typing rate from 48 to 65 words per minute, and as a beginner in shorthand took dictation at the rate of 80 words per minute, transcription rate 25 with two errors.

Short WAVE Notes

Phyllis Nordeen of section 43 is one WAVE who didn't need a Colonel McCoskrie's graduation speech to make her feel sisterly towards the WACS. Her sister Dorothy who has been a WAC for two years, recently changed her name from Nordeen to Wright. Her husband is a test pilot attached to the Wright Aeronautical Corporation. Corporal Wright is now stationed at the Base Headquarters of the Third Air Corps, at Drew Field, Tampa, Florida, where, in December, she was voted "Pin-Up-Girl" of Drew Field. Both Seaman Nordeen and Corp. Wright were sworn in in Boston, Massachusetts. As civilians they both attended the Brockton High School and the Williams Business School.

Ruth Hicks, section 41 is another gal who can be literal in speaking of our sisters in service. Her twin sister Janice has just become a second lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps, and has been stationed at Camp Meade, near Baltimore, Maryland.

Some of that nice diving in the swimming meet last week was done by Nancy Ann Williams, of section 33. Nancy has been a swimmer ever since she was knee-high to a polywog. Back home in Modesto, California, in 1943, she won the 50 yard free style race of Stanislaw county. As a student at Modesto Junior College, she swam aquacades put on by Phi Gamma sorority. At Hunter, she got the Functional Swimming and Water Safety Training Certificate. She also holds the Red Cross Life-Saving Certificate.

Jean Adams, PL of section 44, got a surprise the other day from the Philippines. It was a bundle of Japanese prisoner-of-war money and a hair posy from Leyte, sent by her ex-boss, Lieutenant Colonel G. C. Buchanan. Jean used to be his assistant when he was director of the Officers School at Fort Monmouth, in Redbank, New Jersey. Her duties included giving courses of lectures in finance to hundreds of the trainees. So she joined the Navy and was sent to Cedar Falls, Iowa. —She did—it's a fact!

Josephine Tortorello of section

43 comes from a real Navy family. Her father is a Chief Musician and has been in the Navy for 43 years. He was retired but called back into service at the outbreak of the present war. Her oldest brother Salvatore is a Machinist Mate 3c on the Missouri and joined the Navy before Pearl Harbor. Two other brothers joined a few days after Pearl Harbor—Charles, Boatswains Mate 2c now on shore duty in California after two years in the Pacific and Anthony, Radar Man 1c on a destroyer minesweeper.

Section 21 claims the only Chinese girl in Bartlett. Her name is Ethel WaGew, she comes from Fall River, Massachusetts and is a graduate of Bryant College in Providence. She has a brother in the Army who is stationed at Camp Wheeler Virginia.

Mary Brooks Lucas of section 32 has real reason to be proud of her dad. He is Major General John P. Lucas of Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. General Lucas is a 1911 West Point graduate and had command of the landing of the Anzio beachhead last year. Until recently his whereabouts and that of his family was kept so secret by the War Department that Mary's name could not appear in the paper with the names of other trainees leaving for Hunter. Carry's brother is also in the Army. He is a Lieutenant and is now in France.

Ila Gladys Rice of section 32 has a family she can be highly proud of. Two of her brothers are in the army, one of which is a T-Sgt. stationed in Tallahassee, Florida and the other in the Glider Infantry somewhere in Europe. The Navy, too, claims one of her brothers who is a Machinist's Mate serving somewhere in the Pacific. Another of her brothers has just been called for duty. Along with her brothers serving in the armed forces, her father, another brother and a sister-in-law are war workers in Curtis-Wright, St. Louis.

The Nickerson twins, Marjorie and Margaret, of section 44 joined the WAVES together as they had been doing everything else previous to joining. Since they have

Navy Officers Lose To Hendersons In League Tournament

Navy officers won one, and lost two to Hendersons in the local league tournament on Tuesday. The officers lost the three-game series by a total of 1987 pins to 2067 pins. Tuesday's bowling was the windup of the season's team bowling in the League. On Sunday, 11 March, a singles tournament will be rolled and on Tuesday, 13 March, a doubles tournament. On the following Tuesday the Annual Banquet will be held at the Cedar Falls Women's Club House.

The game of games will be rolled on Friday, 9 March, at 1900 when the WAVE officers meet the Navy men officers. To date the men have recruited five bowlers from among the six of them, but it is possible that they shall have to borrow one of the WAVES to make their team complete.

Women Reserve officers will include Lt. (jg)'s Carver, Fechter, File and Wandelt and Ensigns Hollem and Hawke.

Comdr. Pettee, Lieutenants McCown, Foster and Brown and Lt. (jg) Morrison will make up the men's team.

a brother fighting in the Navy somewhere in the Pacific, they decided the Navy was the place for them, too. Before joining the WAVES they worked together in Chancevought Aircraft, Connecticut. Marjorie's and Margaret's father is also a twin so that seeing double in the Nickerson family is old stuff.

